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Ms. BERKLEY. Mr. Speaker, almost everyone has a family member, a friend or a co-worker who has been personally affected by breast cancer. This year, 1,400 women will be diagnosed with invasive breast cancer and 300 women will die from this devastating disease in my State of Nevada.

Two of my closest professional associates, two women who I work with every day, won their battle against breast cancer; they are cancer free. Unfortunately, this is not always the case. I lost my own mother this past July after her 14-year battle against breast cancer.

From these battles I have learn the importance of mammography screening and early detection which have led to higher survival rates. Nevada has the lowest percentage of mammograms performed per capita than any other State in the country, only 65 percent of Nevada women age 40 and over have had mammograms within the last 2 years; this leaves 35 percent of the women in Nevada without any necessary information to arm themselves against this disease and the ability to fight it early on. We must continue to get the word out to women that early detection in the fight against breast cancer is critical.

UNITED STATES LEADING WAY TO STABILITY IN IRAQ

(Mr. KINGSTON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. KINGSTON. Mr. Speaker, last year Saddam Hussein spent \$13 million on health care in Iraq. This year the United States will spend \$200 million. Two years ago when Olympic soccer players made a mistake or lost a game, they were tortured and held hostage until they amended their ways and became better soccer players. Now children's soccer teams are springing up all over Iraq.

There has not been much farming going on in Iraq over the last several years; today, farmers are beginning to go back to the fields and replant crops. There has not been much oil production; now we are getting oil back online. Police forces are beginning to form again in Iraqi towns around the nation, and electricity and water is coming back all over the nation, but there is no peace in Iraq. We are not finished with the job. We still need the coalition forces in Iraq. We still need the strong United States presence to lead the way to a stable, growing democracy. We hope this is possible.

Today, this House will pass the Iraqi emergency supplemental bill. It is one more step in our effort to bring peace in that region. I urge my colleagues to support it.

NO DISCUSSION, NO CONFERENCE, NO DEMOCRACY

(Mr. HOYER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, sadly, the corruption of democracy continues in this House this day. Almost unanimously, we sent a bill back to conference committee for further consideration to protect the safety of the public.

During the course of that debate, the gentleman from Florida (Mr. MICA), the chairman of the subcommittee, said nothing in response to an assertion made about public safety. Nothing, I say to my colleagues, can be further from the truth.

The gentleman from Florida (Mr. MICA) went on to say, "So we will take this bill back to conference." Nothing, my colleagues, could be further from the truth.

The gentleman from Florida (Mr. MICA) went on to say, "We will revisit this issue." Nothing, my friends, could be further from the truth.

He went on to say, "Anyone who would like, we will make a copy of this report available." Nothing, my friends, could be further from the truth.

There was no conference, there was no discussion, there was no democracy. Shame on the processes undermining democracy in this House.

WHERE ARE THE JOBS?

(Mr. WYNN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WYNN. Mr. Speaker, today the American public should ask a simple question, Where are the jobs? We hear the Republicans talk about increases in the gross domestic product, but increases in the GDP do not equal jobs. It does not pay bills or help families.

Since this President came into office, we have lost 3 million jobs in this country, and 2.5 million of those jobs have been in the manufacturing sector. So the American public ought to ask the question, Where are the jobs?

What is the Republican response? They are going to bring to this floor a bill that grants tax credits to American companies that take jobs overseas. That is right, two-thirds of the benefits in the so-called manufacturing jobs bill that the Republicans are introducing would give tax breaks to companies creating jobs in China and other countries.

Today the American public has every right to ask the question, Where are the jobs for Americans? Where are the tax credits for American small businesses to help them expand and grow jobs? Unfortunately, they are going overseas.

Mr. Speaker, where are the jobs?

CELEBRATING RED RIBBON WEEK

(Mr. BACA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1

minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BACA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in celebration of Red Ribbon Week, the annual campaign to prevent illegal drug use and promote drug-free communities. All of our children have so much potential. All of our children deserve a chance at life. But it is so sad when families, friends and communities and faith fail a child and they become addicted to drugs. Caring for our children and making sure they do not get addicted to drugs is all of our responsibility.

Mr. Speaker, 81 percent of teenagers ages 14 to 20 have used drugs. One out of every four high school seniors has used illegal drugs in the past 30 days; almost 30 percent of young adults have used marijuana in the past.

This must change. Our children deserve better. Red Ribbon Week uses community action to educate and help prevent drug abuse. Throughout the United States, many of our schools are participating in this program, informing our children to stay away from drugs. I ask support for Red Ribbon Week in the State of California, and I ask support for Red Ribbon Week throughout our Nation.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRIES

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I have a parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. THORNBERRY). The gentleman will state his inquiry.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, under the rules of the House, is it not true that before conference reports can be filed, that conferees must meet in formal session, and I believe this requirement can be found in clause 12 of rule XXII of the House rules?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman is correct.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I have a further parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman will state it.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, the House voted unanimously on Tuesday to recommit the FAA conference report to the conference committee in order to address essential safety issues relating to the plan to privatize the air traffic control system.

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Therefore, Mr. Speaker, is it not the case that the FAA conference report before the House was filed without any formal notice of a conference meeting to the minority and, thus, in violation of clause 12, rule XXII?

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. THORNBERRY). The Chair can only reiterate that under the rules and precedents of the House, a conference report must be the product of an actual meeting of the managers appointed by the two Houses.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.